

# The Importance of Developmental Milestones

A child's growth is more than just physical. Children grow, develop, and learn throughout their lives. A child's development can be observed in how s/he plays, learns, speaks and behaves.

Developmental milestones are behaviors or skills that illustrate a child's growth in a # of areas. Developmental delays exist when a child does not reach his/her milestones at about the same time as other children the same age.

In the United States, 17% of children have a developmental or behavioral disability, and many more have delays in language or other areas.

IM-Home is a tool that can help children correct milestones they have missed or even jump ahead of others in their age group.

At every age more complex and demanding milestones are expected and with IM-Home these challenges can be addressed throughout the life of your child and even into adulthood.

Using IM-Home, children are often better able to:

- Sit calmly and concentrate on tasks like homework and reading.
- Improve overall academic performance.
- Interact more frequently with peers and family members.
- Participate productively in enrichment activities like sports, music lessons, dance, martial arts, and gymnastics.
- Have better balance and coordination.
- Write more legibly.
- Follow multi-step directions.
- Communicate more effectively, both verbally and in writing.
- Feel and express greater self-confidence.

